

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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USE OF CHEMICALS IN SOFT DRINKS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether chemicals are being used in soft drinks;
- (b) if so, the names of these chemicals and their ill-effects on human health after their consumption;
- (c) whether the Government has issued any instructions to indicate the percentage of chemical contents on each bottle of soft drinks; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (d) The standards of Carbonated Water have been prescribed vide item A.01.01 in PFA Rules, 1955. Carbonated water conforming to the standards for carbonated water as laid down under PFA Rules, 1955 is considered safe.

The labeling provisions have been prescribed under PFA Rules which have to be adhered to by each manufacturer. The name and quantity of each foodgrade chemicals or compounds used need not be inscribed on the Container.